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1. Department has reservations over publicity at time delegations conclude their deliberations. Under longstanding procedures of which USDEL aware, details of negotiations are not to be made public until agreement formally signed. In this negotiation, Department particularly anxious that this rule be observed. At time of formal signing, we have no objection at all to whatever publicity GOI desires.

2. Our preference would be for joint press statement simply noting that negotiations have been held and delegations are submitting their recommendations to respective governments. Second preference would be for same release but with addition of notion that delegations are submitting agreed recommendations for a new agreement to both governments. We do not want joint press statement to give details of negotiations or of recommendations. If Italdel will not agree to a joint release unless it gives details, there should be no joint release at all.

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3. We realize, of course, that we cannot control what Santini says on his own. However, Embassy and USDEL should attempt convince him not to publicize details. We hope that our willingness issue joint release noting that agreement among delegations reached will satisfy him.

4. We appreciate Embassy's desire maximum publicity at signing for reasons outlined Rome 2565 and expect be able move toward signature at time suggested.

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